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Bank Robbery

(Update)

As the investigation continues into the bank robbery that occurred this morning at the San Antonio Federal Credit Union, 6851 N FM 1604 W, information continues to be developed.

It appears that at the end of the pursuit and after the suspect's vehicle had flipped over and come to a stop, the suspects continued to fire at officers and an officer from the San Antonio Police Department along with officers from other jurisdictions returned fire. Officer Robert Carter, a 24-year veteran with the San Antonio Police Department, fired several rounds towards the suspect. It is unknown at this time whether the bullet that struck one of the suspects was from Officer Carter's weapon or not.

The suspect was transported to Wilford Hall Hospital with a gunshot wound to the eye.

Officer Carter will be placed on Administrative Duty which is standard procedure in all officer-involved shootings. The San Antonio Police Department's Shooting Team will conduct the investigation and forward their findings to the Chief of Police and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office.

The total number of vehicles, sworn and civilian, that were damaged during the course of this pursuit has not yet been fully assessed. The investigation into this incident is still continuing and updated information will be provided as it becomes available.

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